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Ladies & Gentlemen;

Pursuant to the Administrative Rules of Montana, 16.2.604, the following Preliminary Environmental Review has been prepared by the Department of Health and Environmental Sciences concerning Harold McDowell d/b/a Smelter City Recycling, Anaconda, Montana.

The purpose of the Preliminary Environmental Review is to inform all interested governmental agencies, public groups or individuals of the proposed action and to determine whether or not the action may have a significant effect on the human environment. This Preliminary Environmental Review will be circulated for a period of fifteen (15) days at which time a decision will be made as to our future action.

If you care to comment on this proposed action, please do so within the allotted time.

Sincerely,

LARRY D. MITCHELL  
Solid Waste Management Bureau  
Environmental Sciences Division

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PRELIMINARY ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Division/Bureau Environmental Sciences Division/Solid Waste Management Bureau

Project or Application Harold McDowell dba/Smelter City Recycling

Description of Project Establishing and licensing a new motor vehicle wrecking  
facility in Anaconda. (See map for location)

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POTENTIAL IMPACT ON PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

	Major	Moderate	Minor	None	Unknown	Comments on Attached Pages
1. Terrestrial & aquatic life and habitats				X		
2. Water quality, quantity and distribution				X		
3. Geology & soil quality, stability and moisture				X		
4. Vegetation cover, quantity and quality				X		
5. Aesthetics			X			X
6. Air quality				X		
7. Unique, endangered, fragile, or limited environmental resources				X		
8. Demands on environmental resources of land, water, air & energy				X		
9. Historical and archaeological sites				X		

# POTENTIAL IMPACTS ON HUMAN ENVIRONMENT

	Major	Moderate	Minor	None	Unknown	Comments on Attached Pages
1. Social structures and mores				X		
2. Cultural uniqueness and diversity				X		
3. Local and state tax base & tax revenue			X			X
4. Agricultural or industrial production				X		
5. Human health				X		
6. Quantity and distribution of community and personal income			X			X
7. Access to and quality of recreational and wilderness activities				X		
8. Quantity and distribution of employment			X			X
9. Distribution and density of population and housing				X		
10. Demands for government services			X			X
11. Industrial & commercial activity				X		
12. Demands for energy				X		X
13. Locally adopted environmental plans & goals				X		X
14. Transportation networks & traffic flows				X		

Other groups or agencies contacted or which may have overlapping jurisdiction Montana Department of Highways

Individuals or groups contributing to this PER. Anaconda-Deer Lodge Junk Vehicle

Program Director, Anaconda-Deer Lodge Planning Office

Recommendation concerning preparation of EIS Not necessary

PER Prepared by: Larry D. Mitchell

LARRY D. MITCHELL

Date: February 1, 1983

GENERAL COMMENTS

The applicant proposes the establishment and licensing of a two acre motor vehicle wrecking facility 300 feet north of the centerline of Highway 10A on the east end of Anaconda. Access to the site is provided by a county road leading north to the city-county landfill. The site is currently screened from public view by an eight foot tall corrugated metal fence placed on all four sides of the facility. One exception is a gate on the west fence which is soon to be screened. The applicant proposes to trim the tops of excessively high fence posts and to trim or level the top of the metal fence to improve its appearance. Additionally, since the north and east fences are constructed with used metal, the applicant plans to paint the fencing as weather permits. Following these final improvements and the addition of the west gate, the facility will be in compliance with the screening requirements of Rule 16.14.202 ARM of the Motor Vehicle Recycling and Disposal law.

The facility is primarily established as a recycling center for various categories of recyclable materials. Included in these categories will be junked vehicles and used or component parts and materials. Dealing in these commodities as defined by Section 75-10-501(5) MCA 1979 requires a motor vehicle wrecking facility license. Recycling wastes in general and metals in particular can result in considerable energy savings over that utilized to create metals from virgin material sources.

The successful operation of a recycling center/motor vehicle wrecking facility should have some minor but positive impacts on such criteria as employment, personal and community income opportunities and local government tax base and revenue.

A minor amount of government time will be required for routine inspections of the facility by state and local junk vehicle program officials to assure that it is being maintained and operated in compliance with the Motor Vehicle Recycling and Disposal law and rule.

The establishment and proper operation of a motor vehicle wrecking facility at this proposed location does not violate any local zoning ordinance or regulations as certified on the application by the local planning office.



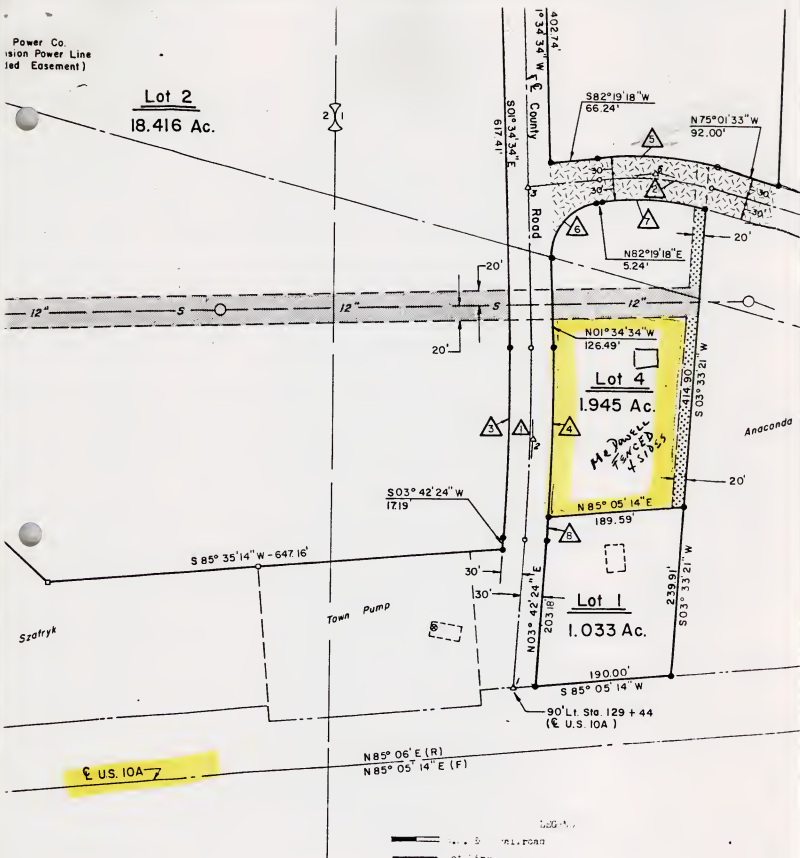






Power Co.  
Vision Power Line  
(Easement)

Lot 2  
18.416 Ac.



U.S. 10A

N 85° 06' E (R)  
N 85° 05' 14" E (F)

NOTATION  
The criteria contained in the  
code which allows exemption from  
the leases or other conveyances

INSTRUMENT COMPANY  
OF ATLANTIC RICHFIELD COMPANY

- Legend:
- Mainline
  - Lot line
  - (in by survey 1440.00)
  - 4" File strip door
  - (for former "1" w/ plastic cap)
  - Sanitary Sewer Manhole
  - Sanitary Sewer
  - Sanitary Sewer Easement
  - Sewer Service easement
  - △ Curve Marker
  - Highway Right-of-Way
  - (for former "1" w/ plastic cap)

